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Congressman Dent presents City of Bethlehem with \$15 million in
toward expanding Route 412

*The project is the key to renewing the vacant Bethlehem Steel site and
creating thousands of jobs for Lehigh Valley residents.*

Bethlehem, PA (Oct. 4, 2005) — U.S. Rep. Charlie Dent (PA-15), a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, today presented the City of Bethlehem with \$15 million designated for improvements to Route 412.

The funding comes from the recently passed Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), which will bring more than \$56.1 million in needed infrastructure and transportation projects and create jobs in the 15th District.

Congressman Dent presented a check to Bethlehem Mayor John Callahan at a press conference on the site of Lehigh Valley Industrial Park VII, the former Bethlehem Steel property. LVIP plans to redevelop the largely vacant property into a thriving industrial park that would create thousands of jobs.

“This project is a perfect example of the importance of the Highway Bill, which we also refer to as a jobs bill.” Congressman Dent said. “I especially want to thank Sen. Arlen Specter and Sen. Rick Santorum, whose assistance in the overall bill gave much needed help the 15th District’s growing needs.”

“This project will be the lifeblood and the key to unlocking 1,800 acres of development,” Mayor Callahan said. “Anyone that says a freshman congressman cannot deliver for his district has never met Charlie Dent.”

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